(c) by when DESU is likely to be converted into a subsidiary company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

DMT controversy

1353. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the article published in the Business India dated the 11th August, 1986 under the heading "Nusli Wadia, DMT", regarding mismanagement of the affairs of the company and violation of various provisions of the Companies Act;

(b) if so, whether Government have examined the charges contained against the management of the company; and

(c) if so, what are the details and what action has been taken by Government against the company in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) An inspection under Section 209A of the Companies Act, 1956 into the books of accounts and other records of M/s. Bombay Dyeing and Manufacturing Company Ltd. and its related companies is in progress.

Setting up of National Power Grid

1354. SHRI KALPNATH RAI:

SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme drawn up to set up a national power grid for all regions and minimise the imbalances in supplies to different regions;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether any offer was received from the Soviet Union for assistance in setting up of such a national power grid?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) The Government of India have accepted in principle to gradually evolve a national power grid. Such a grid is an evolutionary process requiring appropriate inter-connections and strengthening of the various State systems and the Central Sector EHV transmission lines. As a step towards formation of the national power grid, Regional Electricity Boards have been set up to accelerate the process of integrated operation of the regional systems.

(c) At the Indo-Soviet High level meeting held in New Delhi in January, 1987 it was agreed that there will be an exchange of information at a mutually agreed time on the various aspects of the Indian transmission systems and the programme of development of the national power grid.

Ib-Valley Thermal Power Project

1355. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to answer to the Unstarred Question 1739 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 11th August, 1986 and state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has approved the Ib-Valley thermal power project to be located in Sambalpur district of Orissa;

(b) if so, what would be the installed capacity of the said project and how much amount would be invested;

(c) what would be the funding pattern of this project; and

(d) what are the reasons for the delays in commissioning of this project when the State is facing acute power shortage?